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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2005, the period of response for which runs through January 4, 2006, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.